

Provide a Bell for the Publick use instead of a Drummer, as to the Conclusion of their Messages this house do say that in the Life time of the late Lieutenant Genl. Proclamations did issue according to the Tenor of their request but whether the Several Counties received them or not this house cannot say —

Signed by Order John Sewellin C of Assembly —
Upper house August the 31 1681 —

This house do intend to Adjourn for two hours that the members of the Lower house Appointed for the Committee for drawing up a Law for the Defence of the Province think fitt to come into this Upper Room the Members of this house appointed to Join with them are ready so to Day —

A Message from the Lower house by Mr. Cheseldyne Declared that there was a Bill Debated last Sessions but not passed which they conceive may be among the Papers of the Upper house they desire that the Clerk of this house may assist one of the Members of their house to search for the same —

He shall in convenient time, Mr. Cheseldyne is desired to name the Title of the Bill which he cannot, but will Inquire, He returns —

The two foregoing Messages of this house sent to the Lower house by the Secretary together with a Commission for the Tryall of Causes according to the last form in Talbot County returned upon the Alteration of some Commissioners to be renewed, The Secretary returns again —

And the house Adjourns for two hours

Upper house again mett according to adjournment

Col Lowe is sent to the Lower house and desire to know of them whether they have any thing ready to Communicate to this house, for that this house was ready to receive it otherwise (it being four a Clock) this house intend to Adjourn —

He returns and reports the Lower house will Answer by a member of their Own —

Mr. Cheseldyne and Captain Sibrey from the Lower house bring a Bill Intituled an Act Restraining the Exportation of Leather and Raw Hides, Deer and Elk Skins out of this Province for the Encouragement of Tanners and Shoemakers —

Signed by the C Assistant of the Lower house of Assembly
Read once and Voted a second reading to Morrow

House Adjourns till to Morrow Nine a Clock
September the first 1681 Upper house Mett
Present

The Honourable	{	The Chancellor	{	Col Darnall
		The Secretary		Col Stevens
		The Sur Genl.		Capt Digges
		Col Coursey		

The Secretary is sent down to the Lower house and acquaint them that the Members of this house appointed to Join with some of theirs in a Committee are ready so to Do